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## New Jersey's 2006 Annual Crop Summary

- **Corn for grain** production is estimated at 8.26 million bushels, up 9 percent from last year's crop. Yield is estimated at 129 bushels per acre, 7 bushels above the 2005 yield. The 10-year (1996-2005) state average yield is 104.8 bushels per harvested acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 64,000 acres, up 2,000 acres from last year.
- **Corn for silage** production is estimated at 255,000 tons, down 6 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 17 tons per acre, up 1 ton from 2005. Acreage cut for silage is estimated at 15,000 acres, down 2,000 acres from last year.
- **Alfalfa Hay** production is estimated at 62,500 tons, down 8 percent from 2005. Yield is estimated at 2.50 tons per acre, down .20 ton from 2005. Harvested acreage is estimated at 25,000, unchanged from 2005.
- **Other Hay** production is estimated at 171,000 tons, up 19 percent from 2005. Yield is estimated at 1.90 tons per acre, up .30 ton from 2005. Harvested acreage remains unchanged at 90,000 acres.
- **Soybean** production increased from 2.55 million bushels in 2005 to 3.01 million bushels in 2006, up 18 percent. Yield is estimated at 35 bushels per acre, up 7 bushels from last year. The 10-year average yield is 31.9 bushels per harvested acre. Area harvested for beans is estimated at 86,000 acres, down 5,000 acres from last year.

## Acreage, Yield, and Production of Corn, Hay, and Soybeans

Crop	Unit	Acres for Harvest		Yield per Acre		Production	
		2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
<i>NEW JERSEY</i>		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Thousand Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	62	64	122.0	129.0	7,564.0	8,256.0
Corn for Silage	Tons	17	15	16.0	17.0	272.0	255.0
Hay, All	Tons	115	115	1.84	2.03	212.0	233.5
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	25	25	2.70	2.50	68.0	62.5
Other Hay	Tons	90	90	1.60	1.90	144.0	171.0
Soybeans	Bu.	91	86	28.0	35.0	2,548.0	3,010.0
<i>UNITED STATES</i>		<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Units</i>		<i>Million Units</i>	
Corn for Grain	Bu.	75,117	70,648	148.0	149.1	11,114.1	10,534.8
Corn for Silage	Tons	5,930	6,477	18.0	16.2	106.5	104.8
Hay, All	Tons	61,729	60,807	2.45	2.33	151.0	141.7
Alfalfa Hay	Tons	22,439	21,384	3.39	3.35	76.1	71.7
Other Hay	Tons	39,290	39,423	1.91	1.78	74.9	70.0
Soybeans	Bu.	71,251	74,602	43.0	42.7	3,063.2	3,188.2

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